Order of Worship

9:00am Contemporary Worship July 30th, 2023

Song Set

Welcome

Dismissal of Children to Children's Church

New Testament Reading

Acts 4:13-22

Sermon

Finding the Way Without a Map -- The Early Church in Acts:

"Staying the Course"

Rev. Jim Ward

*Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

880 UMH

Prayers of the People

Lifting Up Our Joys and Concerns Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to the Table and Prayer of Confession

All: Loving and Renewing God, Trusting in your infinite grace, we confess that we need your healing and your forgiveness. For all that is broken in our minds and bodies, we ask for your healing. For all that is amiss in our choices and our actions, we ask for your forgiveness. For all that works against life and blessing in our hearts, and in the world, we open ourselves to your transforming grace. Heal us, forgive us, and make us new. Amen.

Silently Confessing Our Personal Sins

Pastor: If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us remission of all our sins, true repentance, change of life, and the grace and presence of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Passing the Peace

Reflections on Giving

Offering

**Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

15 UMH

*Closing Song

Dismissal

Order of Worship

10:30am Traditional Worship July 30th, 2023

Prelude Susan Fraser

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Leader: Teach me your ways, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth;

People: Give me an undivided heart to praise your name. Leader: I will give thanks to You, O God, with my whole heart:

People: And I will glorify your name forever.

Leader: Turn to me and be gracious to me;

People: Give strength to us all, your servants.

Leader: And as we gather in this holy time of worship -

All: May we come before You with hearts open to your will. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

158 UMH

*Collect

O God, in mystery and silence You are present in our lives. You bring new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, and growth out of difficulty. We thank You that You do not leave us alone, but work to make us whole. Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit, so that we might know the joy You long to give to your children. Amen.

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*Response

Are Ye Able? (Vs. 1)

530 UMH

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Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

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Passing the Peace

Presenting our Tithes and Offerings

Reflections on Giving

Offering Prayer

Offertory Music Susan Fraser

*Doxology Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 95 UMH

**Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion 15 UMH

*Closing Hymn Lead On, O King Eternal 580 UMH

Sending Forth Rev. Jim Ward

Postlude Susan Fraser

Sermon Notes

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday, July 31, 2023:

Psalm 65:8-13; Genesis 30:25-36; James 3:13-18 Tuesday, August 1, 2023:

Psalm 65:8-13; Genesis 30:37-43; Ephesians 6:10-18 **Wednesday, August 2, 2023:**

Psalm 65:8-13; Genesis 46:2-47:12; Mark 4:30-34 Thursday, August 3, 2023:

Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Isaiah 14:1-2; Philippians 4:10-15 Friday, August 4, 2023:

Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Isaiah 41:8-10; Romans 9:6-13 Saturday, August 5, 2023:

Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Genesis 31:1-21; Matthew 7:7-11

Readings for Next Sunday August 6, 2023

Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Isaiah 55:1-5 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:13-21